

RESCUE ORGANIZATION (RO) INFORMATION

SHOW DATES: **January 24 & 25, 2026**

SHOW: **THE FOOD and WATER BOWL**

CLUB: **San Diego Cat Fanciers**

Rescue Coordinator Contact info: Lorraine Nelson catrescue@sandiegocat.org 619-804-7829 (cell, text ok). All RO space assignments are managed by the **Rescue Coordinator**. Please email your contract to catrescue@sandiegocat.org

NOTE: RO's must be submitted to the above **Rescue Coordinator** by **1/5/2026**.

The rescue/shelter must be a 501(c)(3), nonprofit organization. Preference is given to rescue/shelters located in San Diego county and to groups who will bring cats to the show to be placed.

RO's that bring rescue cats for adoption, **and do not sell items**, will receive one (1) **FREE** 10X10 space which will include: up to two (2) 3'X8' tables & two (2) chairs.

RO's that SELL items, in addition to having rescue cats available for adoption, **must pay a fee of \$175**. They become a Vendor but at a discounted rate. They must submit their Vendor Contract with a fee check with the completed and signed RO Agreement to the **Vendor Coordinator**. See the Vendor Contract for details such as mailing address to submit the fee.
http://www.sandiegocat.org/pdf/San-Diego-Cat-Show-Vendor_Contract.pdf

No cages supplied without prior approval, but cats must be in cages appropriate for cats (carriers for example are not acceptable). Cats should be clean. All display and literature distributed is subject to club approval. The club has the right to ask such items be removed or the group leave. Anti-breeder literature or clothing is not appropriate.

ALL Hall and Show Rules apply to RO's including but not limited to:

- 1. Cannot attach anything to the walls**
- 2. Cannot leave cats overnight**
- 3. Must provide their own cages, litter boxes, water and food for their cats**

SDCF wants to publicize how many cats get adopted, both live during the show, and total amounts afterwards as this will encourage more adoptions. The club requires the rescue to have a designated coordinator to:

1. During the show tells the announcer each time a cat gets adopted (brings attention to the rescue groups)
2. By 2 weeks after the show, the rescue needs to email catrescue@sandiegocat.org with 2 numbers:
 1. the number cats adopted at the show
 2. the number adopted post show related to activities associated with the show.

SUGGESTION: The objective is to have rescue cats adopted. Lining the cage with dark material may make it harder for the cats to be viewed by potential adoptees, especially the black cats. Thus, it is recommended that every RO cage be lined (bottom, sides and top) with white hard board. A good presentation will help place more cats. These are suggestions; NOT a requirement!

We also offer **2 free entries** in our Household Pet competition. This aids in placing cats, so please take the time and effort to enter them. The **Rescue Coordinator** can help you enter the cats.

RO's may set-up their spaces/cages Friday between **12:00 PM and 5:00 PM** or **Saturday morning 7:30 to 8:30 AM**. RO's **may not "tear down"** their spaces/cages until **after** all Show Judging is completed on Sunday.

RESCUE INFORMATION AND AGREEMENT
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NOTICE

The San Diego Cat Fanciers (SDCF) shall provide space for the Rescue Organization (RO) as agreed on the appropriate **Agreement**. RO agrees to pay the Total Fees, if any, and to attend the Show for the purpose of promoting their rescue cats for adoption. RO is responsible for the safeguarding of their equipment and cats from the time they arrive until they are removed from the Show premises by the RO. The SDCF will not be responsible for, or guarantee to the RO, the safety of exhibit material against fire, accident, theft or any loss or injury or loss whatsoever. It is agreed that the RO shall assume all liability for damage to the Show hall caused by their exhibit and shall indemnify the SDCF from and against any liability that might ensue by reason of the RO exhibit or presence at the Show. By signing this AGREEMENT (below), the RO agrees with all conditions herein.

Rescue Organization Agreement:

Organization Name: _____

Person in Charge (**print legibly**): _____

Person in Charge: (**signature**): _____

Address:

501(c)(3) Number : _____

Bus.Phone: _____ Email: _____

Number of 8 ft. tables (0, 1, or 2): _____

Estimate the number of cats that you will bring _____